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## Outline

## Perspectives:

- Science & Technology
- Survivability

## Survivability:

- · Recent Past
- Present
- Future

## Responding to Army Needs

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The United States Army

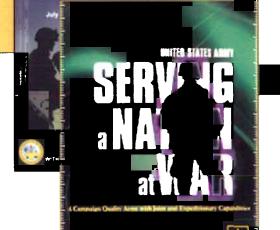
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Army Strategic Planning Guidance 2006-2023 "...become a more strategically responsive, deployable, agile, versatile, lethal, survivable, and sustainable force, effective in all situations ..."

"...provide relevant and ready land power capability to the Combatant Commander as part of the Joint Team"

"...provide dominant land power to the Joint Force now and into the future."

"...change in time of war must deal simultaneously with both current and future needs"



## Army S&T Vision: Pursuing Transformational Capabilities for a Joint and Expeditionary Army

Backpacked

#### **Current Force**



~100 lb. load



70+ tons



< 10 mph

## Enabling the Future Force

Science and Technology—

develop and mature
technology to enable
transformational capabilities
for the Future Modular Force
while seeking opportunities
to accelerate technology
directly into the Current
Modular Force

**Enhancing the Current Force** 



> 40 mph

## What is Survivability?



Survivability =

f(Armor)dxdt + f(APS)dxdt + f(Electronic Warfare)dxdt + · ·



+ f(Signature Mgt)dxdt + f(Countermine)dxdt +

#### Survivability 'Onion'



+ f(Damage Mitigation)dxdt + f(Lethality)dxdt +

+ f(Unmanned Platforms)dxdt + f(TTPs)dx +

+ f(Platform Design)dx + f(Mobility)dxdt +

## Technologies: Recent Past & Present



**Multi function OTM** Secure Adaptive Integrated Comms

CAT VTI Test bed

SATCOM On

The Move



FCS C2



Networked **Communications** 



Mid Range Munition



Compact KE Missile



Precision Attack Msl



Loiter Attack Msl



LtWt 120mm Gun





Auto Loader



Hummingbird



Network Ready Networked Lethality Networked Battle Command KPP's Sustainability & Reliability Survivability Transportability Training



Close-in Active Protection Sys (APS)



Adv Armor



KE APS



Change Detection



UGV



Spinner-Mobility



On The Move APS

Technologies for the Current & Future Force



## Soldier Protection Technologies Individual Soldier Ballistic/Blast Protection



- The Warfighter continues to face a significant threat from multiple threats including ballistic and blast
- Personnel armor plays an important role in the survival of our Warfighters
- Soldier Protection Technologies are responding to capability requirements and address the need for:
  - Lightweight protective materials technology that improve the survivability of the individual warfighter against a full spectrum of ballistic and blast threats
  - Tools that provide "leap-ahead" capability to assess individual survivability and munitions lethality











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### **Key Focus Areas** for Research and Development

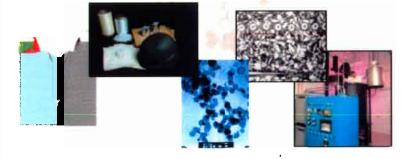
**Behind Armor Effects** Methodology

**Advanced Technology** Development



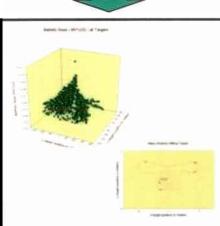
Conduct experimental (tissue & test fixture), analytical and numerical assessments of non-penetrating impact on body armor/body

- New high performance polymers/ fibers/composites
- Nanotechnology
- Advanced ceramics & metals
- Enhanced predictive modeling
- Material systems integration



**Casualty Reduction Analysis Model** 





Develop/update models for armor system performance from threat definition to incapacitation effect

### Survivability Technologies: Recent Past & Present

Army Science Board, 2001: Active Protection Systems (APS) will not be able to achieve their objectives

### Significant Strides:



IAAPS: Defeat On-the-move



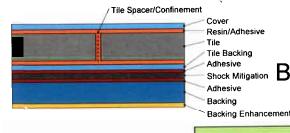
CIAPS: Dual defeat On-the-move



FCLAS: Threat defeat demonstrated



EM Armor: Multiple defeats on single panel



Tile Backing

Adhesive Shock Mitigation Ballistic Armor: 225 psf down to 64 psf



"Come a long way in a short time"





## Influences that Drive Our Path Forward

- As a result of today's world situation: There is not only technology push, now there is current demand particularly for survivability
- Current Threats apply not only for Light, Medium & Heavy Combat Vehicles but for Light, Medium & Heavy <u>Tactical</u> Vehicles and unmanned systems
- Emerging Requirements
- Application of Survivability Technologies
  - > Address IED protection

- > Integration onto Platforms
- > Address Safe & Arm issues
- > Right mix on Platform

> Address Fratricide issues

> Tactics, Techniques & Procedures

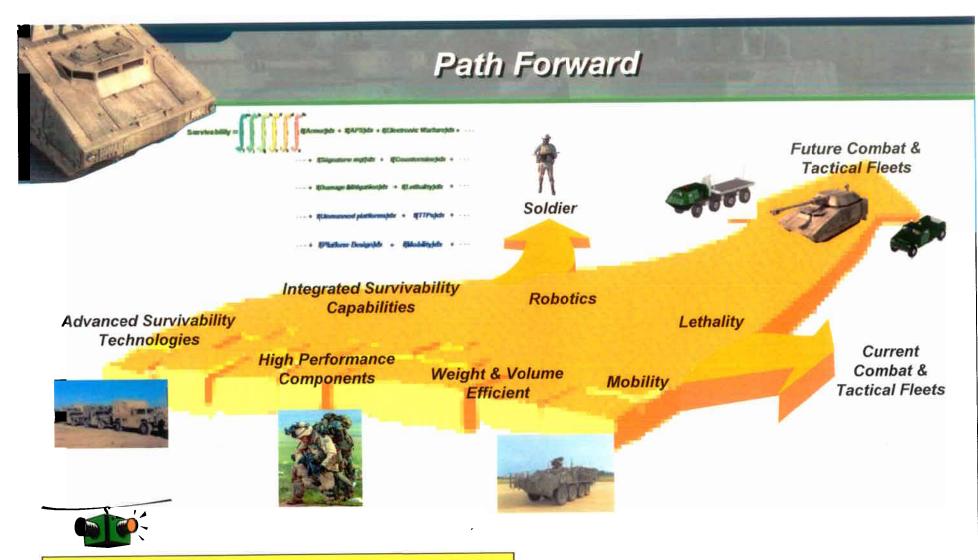
Must Enable Continuous Improvement...
i.e. modularity, mission tailorability, commonality...



## How Not to Make a Lightweight Vehicle Survivable



... Adding every survivability technology available without trade-off analysis and integration considerations



CAUTION: All along the yellow brick road we should expect signs like: STEEP GRADE; SCHOOL ZONE; LIMITED SPEED ZONE; ROAD NARROWS; STOP; WINDING ROAD; GO; DETOUR; TRAFFIC LIGHTS AHEAD; NO EXIT; NO PASSING; WRONG WAY.

There is a huge challenge before us...our work has only begun... we must find the right path to deliver and implement suites enhancing current and future platform survivability